



# GLOBAL IED REPORT

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This document was prepared in order to facilitate a greater understanding of the nature and scope of threats and hazards related to the estimated 500+ monthly IED events worldwide. It is provided to aid in the timely identification and development of appropriate actions, priorities and follow-on measures.

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# RECENT DEVELOPMENTS:

## CENTCOM:

### (U) IRAQ – Summary of Events

(U) On 19 August, in Baghdad, police announced that they have killed several terrorists, defused a car bomb, dismantled three (3) unknown IEDs and detained several terrorist suspects over the last 25 hours.<sup>1</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)

(U) On 19 August, in Tikrit, Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) militants have planted IEDs on “most roads” in the central part of Tikrit, withdrew from Al Alam district and also planted IEDs by the bridge located between Tikrit and Al Alam, according to a military source who requested anonymity.<sup>2</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)

(U) On 19 August, in al-Thair and Tel Tasa areas of Baghdad, Brigade 22, Division 9, dismantled 22 explosive devices and 13 “booby-trapped” houses, destroyed four (4) caches and nine (9) vehicles and killed 23 terrorists, according to Baghdad Operations Command.<sup>3</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)

### (U) EGYPT – IED Detonates in Maghagha

(U) On 19 August, in Maghagha, an unknown IED detonated in a park between two (2) schools. The explosion did not result in any casualties.<sup>4</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)

### (U) PAKISTAN – House Damaged in Bomb Blast

(U) On 20 August, in Bilal Colony, Hangu district, a bomb explosion damaged a home. No one has claimed responsibility.<sup>5</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)

### (U) SYRIA – Hezbollah Kills IS Commander with IED

(U) On 19 August, in Qalamun, Hezbollah detonated an unknown IED as a vehicle carrying IS militants passed by. The explosion killed four (4) IS militants, including Abu Abdullah al-Iraqi, an official of the IS in charge of preparing suicide operations in Lebanon.<sup>6</sup>

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#### AMPLIFYING INFORMATION:

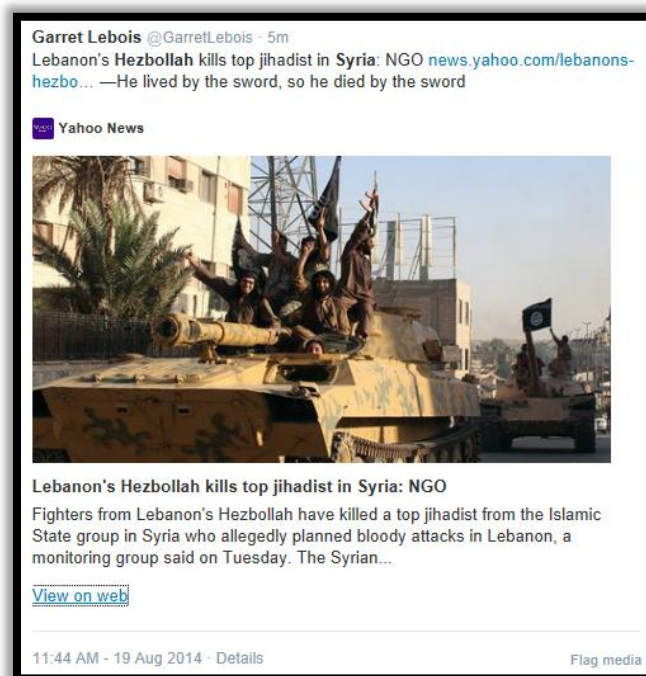


Figure 1: (U) "Lebanon's Hezbollah kills top jihadist in Syria: " - He lived by the sword, so he died by the sword." 19 August 2014. Source: @GarretLebois via Twitter

### (U) YEMEN – Army Raids Terrorist Cell in Hadramout

(U) On 18 August, in Mukala, Hadramout province, military units raided a terrorist safe house. The militants were able to escape, but left their military equipment which included: explosives, detonators, audio devices, a computer, telephones, lighting means, civilian and military clothes, drugs and ammunition.<sup>7</sup>

#### [SOURCE LINK](#)



**AMPLIFYING INFORMATION:**

Figure 2: (U) Clashes in Hadramout between military and AQAP. 19 August 2014. Source: @yemenwatch via Twitter

**PACOM:****(U) BANGLADESH - Thieves Throw IEDs at Businessmen**

(U) On 19 August, in Moghbazar area of Dhaka, thieves threw unknown IEDs at businessmen who were withdrawing money from an ATM. The thieves stole Tk 30 lakh.<sup>8</sup>

**[SOURCE LINK](#)****AMPLIFYING INFORMATION:**

Figure 3: (U) Thieves steal Tk 30 lakh after throwing IEDs. 19 August 2014. Source: @news24hbgd via Twitter

**(U) INDIA - Three Soldiers Injured in Blast**

(U) On 19 August, in Dantewada district, Chhattisgarh, Maoists conducted a complex attack against a squad of troops. The attack was initiated with an unknown IED and the Maoists quickly retreated after troops began returning

fire. The IED and gunfire resulted in three (3) troops wounded.<sup>9</sup>

**[SOURCE LINK](#)****(U) PHILIPPINES - IED Explosion Wounds Five in Cotabato City**

Figure 4: (U) An improvised explosive device (IED) explodes near the Cotabato City plaza at around 8:30 p.m. 19 August 2014. Source: Rappler

(U) On 19 August, in Cotabato City, an unknown IED detonated near members of the 5<sup>th</sup> Army Special Forces Battalion while they were conducting a security patrol. The explosion wounded one (1) soldier and four (4) civilians.<sup>10</sup>

**[SOURCE LINK](#)****SOUTHCOM:****(U) BRAZIL - Explosion at Fuel Station in Feira de Santana**

Figure 5: (U) Fuel station where explosion occurred. 19 August 2014. Source: A Tarde

(U) On 19 August, in Feira de Santana, material damage was caused to a fuel station by an unknown IED attack. Explosive experts said they believed the explosives were dynamite taped to the structure's support pillars. A policeman stated, "It was an attack, I have no doubt." Although the motive behind the attack is not initially clear, police believe it may have been based on price competition.<sup>11</sup>

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Figure 6: (U) Another scene from the aftermath of fuel station attack. 19 August 2014. Source: Midia Social Noticias

school. In Peurto Muriba village, troops deactivated a "bicycle bomb," which contained 500 grams of explosives. And, in el Pinal village, troops found and cleared five (5) unknown IEDs, filled with 20 kg of explosives per device.<sup>12</sup>

[SOURCE LINK](#)

(U) On 19 August, in La Muralla village, Paez Belalcazar municipality, troops captured five (5) militants of FARC's 6<sup>th</sup> Front with four (4) sticks of Pentoflex explosives, a can of tar, communications equipment, and military supplies. The Army assesses the terrorists were going to use the material to attack the civilian population.<sup>13</sup>

[SOURCE LINK](#)

**(U) COLOMBIA – Summary of Events**



Figure 7: (U) Materials seized from FARC's 40th Front. 19 August 2014. Source: Rapid Deployment Force, Press Office

(U) On 19 August, there were three (3) separate events. In Santa Elena village, Mesetas municipality, troops neutralized two (2) unknown IEDs near a municipal



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